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The amendment document filed on <u>03 March 2008</u> is considered non-compliant because it has failed to meet the requirements of 37 CFR 1.121 or 1.4. In order for the amendment document to be compliant, correction of the following item(s) is required.

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| | 2. Abstract: A. Not presented on a separate sheet. 37 CFR 1.72. | | | | |
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| | □ B. Other B. Amendments to the drawings: □ A. The drawings are not properly identified in the top margin as "Replacement Sheet," "New Sheet," or "New Sheet," or | | | | |
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Continuation of 4(e) Other: The status identifier of claims 1-10 and 13-17 should be —(Withdrawn-currently amended)— since these claims are being amended. Further, the status identifier of claim 12 should be —(Currently amended)— since the claim is also being amended. See the deletion at claim 12, line 2.